In the Claims:

Kindly amend the pending claims to read as follows:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A patch comprising patch, characterized in that it is in the form of a support having electrostatic properties, a the periphery of which is the support being coated with an adhesive material to create a hermetically closed space between the support and skin, all or part of the a non-adhesive surface of the support being directly covered with at least one biologically active substance in the form of individualized or agglomerated particles, said particles being kept in contact with the non-adhesive surface of the support as a result of electrostatic forces.
- 2. (Currently Amended) The patch as claimed in claim 1, <u>further comprising a label</u> characterized in that it has, opposite the support, a label which can be peeled off, intended to be <u>off and</u> removed before application of the patch to the skin.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The patch as claimed in <u>claim 1</u>, <u>wherein either of the preceding claims</u>, <u>characterized in that</u> the support <u>consists of comprises</u> glass or <u>of a polymer chosen from the group comprising cellulose plastics (CA, CP)</u>, polyvinyl chlorides (PVCs), polypropylenes, polystyrenes, polycarbonates and polyacrylics.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The patch as claimed in <u>claim 1</u>, <u>wherein a one of the preceding claims</u>, <u>characterized in that the</u> back of the support is covered with a label which can be peeled off.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The patch as claimed in <u>claim 1</u>, <u>wherein one of the preceding claims</u>, <u>characterized in that</u> the support has, in <u>the an</u> area not coated with adhesive material, a depression forming a hollow.
- 6. (Currently Amended) The patch as claimed in <u>claim 1, wherein</u> one of the <u>preceding claims, characterized in that</u> the active substance is in the form of an allergen.

- 7. (Currently Amended) The patch as claimed in claim 6, eharacterized in that wherein the allergen has undergone a treatment of lyophilization, pasteurization or ionization.
- 8. (Currently Amended) The patch as claimed in <u>claim 6</u>, wherein <u>either of claims 6</u> and 7, characterized in that the allergen is in the form of a purified allergenic fraction.
- 9. (Currently Amended) The patch as claimed in <u>claim 6</u>, wherein one of claims 6 to 8, characterized in that the support has an allergen marking device which is in the form of <u>of:</u> marking printed on <u>a</u> the back of the support, of a temporary tattoo left at the <u>a</u> surface of the skin when the patch is removed, or else of a self-adhesive disk maintained on the <u>an</u> adhesive part of the support and separated therefrom when the patch is removed.
- 10. (Currently Amended) The patch as claimed in <u>claim 6</u>, <u>further comprising one of claims 6 to 9</u>, <u>characterized in that it has, in the adhesive area or in the non-adhesive area,</u> a device sensitive to <u>the physicochemical reactions of the skin noted in the course of the local inflammatory reaction induced by a positive reaction to the allergen.</u>
- 11. (Currently Amended) The patch as claimed in claim 10, characterized in that wherein said device is in the form of a colored indicator sensitive to local variations in pH.
- 12. (Currently Amended) The patch as claimed in <u>claim 6</u>, wherein one of claims 6 to 11, characterized in that the support has several areas having electrostatic properties each covered with a different allergen, each electrostatic area being separated by a non-electrostatic area.
- 13. (Currently Amended) A patch kit comprising a plurality of patches as claimed in claim 6, wherein one of claims 1 to 12, characterized in that each patch contains an increasing amount of allergens.

- 14. (New) A patch comprising a support having electrostatic properties, a first surface portion of the support being covered with at least one biologically active substance in the form of individualized or agglomerated particles, said particles being kept in contact with the first surface portion of the support as a result of electrostatic forces.
- 15. (New) The patch of claim 14, further comprising means for creating a hermetically closed space, containing said at least one biologically active substance, between said support and skin.
- 16. (New) The patch of claim 14, wherein the means for creating a hermetically closed space comprises a second surface portion of the support, said second surface portion being coated with an adhesive material and surrounding said first surface portion.